

## CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A system for teaching interviewing comprising:
  - 2 means for obtaining decisions by a student whether provided descriptions of experience are true for an experience of the student;
  - 4 cross-referencing means for cross-referencing from the descriptions of experience to personality traits;
  - 6 recording means for recording a writing by the student, the recording means comprising a first region for a list of the personality traits obtained via the cross-referencing means, and a second region for a summary of the experience;
  - 9 a first means for teaching that directs the student to make decisions in cooperation with the means for obtaining decisions;
  - 11 a second means for teaching that directs the student to make entries in the regions of the recording means in accordance with the decisions; and
  - 13 a third means for teaching that directs the student to retell the summary of the experience in answer to a question during an interview.
2. The system of claim 1 wherein the recording means further comprises a third region for a summary list comprising the personality traits obtained via the cross-referencing means.
3. The system of claim 2 wherein the summary list further comprises at least one of values and morals that the student has determined are demonstrated by the experience.
4. The system of claim 2 further comprising a fourth means for teaching that directs the student to retell at least part of the summary list in answer to the question during the interview.
5. The system of claim 1 further comprising entering means for automatically entering personality traits into the first region in accordance with the means for obtaining decisions and in accordance with the cross-referencing means.

1 6. The system of claim 1 further comprising a memory device comprising indicia of at least one of  
2 the means for obtaining, the cross-referencing means, the recording means, the first means for  
3 teaching, the second means for teaching, and the third means for teaching.

1 7. The system of claim 1 further comprising transmitting means for transmitting across a network  
2 link indicia of at least one of the first means for teaching, the second means for teaching, and the  
3 third means for teaching.

1 8. A method for teaching interviewing, the method comprising:

2 a step for inviting the student to select experiences;

3 a step for directing the student to associate provided brief descriptions with selected

4 experiences;

5 a step for providing a set of themes corresponding to the brief descriptions for use in  
6 associating members of the set of themes with the selected experiences, wherein each member of  
7 the set of themes comprises at least one of a moral, a personality trait, and a value;

8 a step for directing the student to prepare a description of each selected experience using  
9 members of the set of themes associated with the respective experience;

10 a step for directing the student to recall a particular experience that was associated with the  
11 particular theme; and

12 a step for directing the student to respond to the prompt by retelling the description of the  
13 recalled particular experience.

1 9. The method of claim 1 further comprising:

2 a step for asserting that prompts are in recognizable categories;

3 a step for directing the student to associate themes with prompts; and

4 a step for directing the student to respond to a particular prompt by:

5 recognizing the category of the particular prompt; and

6 recalling the particular theme that had been associated with the particular prompt.

1 10. The method of claim 1 further comprising:

2 a step for directing the student to, after retelling, state at least one theme that had been  
3 associated with the experience.

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